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For: Use of Water-Absorbent, Predominantly Open-

Celled Crosslinked Acid-Functional Addition

Polymer Foams in Hygiene Articles

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

AMENDMENT "B"

In response to the Office Action dated December 5, 2007, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.